BEFORE THE

Federal Communications Commission

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In the Matter of

Amendment of Section 73.202(b),

Table of Allotments,

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION:

OFFICE OF SECRETARY

MM Docket No. 95-167

RM-8699

FM Broadcast Stations
(Claremore and Chelsea, Oklahoma)

To: Chief, Allocations Branch

MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE COMMENTS AND COMMENTS

Brite-Star Broadcasting ("Brite-Star") herein moves for leave to submit late-filed comments in the above-captioned FM allotment proceeding. For the reasons set forth below, Brite-Star believes that consideration of these comments will avoid waste and/or duplication of the Commission's efforts. Moreover, consideration of these comments will not unfairly prejudice the Petitioner, Michael P. Stephens ("Stephens").

Background. Stephens, as permittee of Station KTFR, Channel 264A, Claremore, Oklahoma, has requested the reallotment of that channel from Claremore to Chelsea, Oklahoma, and the modification of Station KTFR's permit to specify Chelsea as its community of license. Stephens filed comments and reply comments in support of the request. No opposing comments or counterproposals were submitted.

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It has come to Brite-Star's attention that Stephens' construction permit for KTFR expired on August 3, 1995 and that no application for extension of that construction permit has been filed. Accordingly, Stephens' permit is no longer valid and is subject to cancellation. Undersigned counsel understands that, under such circumstances, the practice of the Allocations Branch is to dismiss any Petition for rule making seeking modification of an expired construction permit and to terminate the proceeding.

Notwithstanding the expiration of Stephens' construction permit, Brite-Star believes that reallotment of Channel 264A to Chelsea would serve the public interest. Brite-Star urges the Commission to adopt the proposed reallotment and open a new filing window for Channel 264A at Chelsea. If such actions are taken, Brite-Star will file a construction permit application for the new station and, upon grant of that application, promptly place the station in operation.

Termination of this proceeding because of the expiration of the KTFR construction permit would simply result in the need for Brite-Star to file and the Commission to process a new rulemaking petition seeking reallotment of Channel 264A from Claremore to Chelsea. Repeating the rulemaking process, of course, would result in further delay in the initiation of service on that allotment By taking the actions Brite-Star proposes, the Commission would avoid a waste of resources and duplication of effort.

WHEREFORE, in light of all circumstances, Brite-Star's Motion for Leave to File Comments should be GRANTED, Brite-Star's Comments should be CONSIDERED, the proposed reallotment of Channel 264A to Chelsea, Oklahoma should be ADOPTED, and a filing window for the Chelsea, Oklahoma allotment should be ANNOUNCED.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Pamela McKethan, hereby certify that on this 11th day of July, 1996, copies of the foregoing MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE COMMENTS AND COMMENTS were hand delivered or mailed, first-class, postage prepaid, to the following:

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